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Ms. Gemma Zecchini
Chair
Waste Diversion Ontario
45 Sheppard Avenue East, Suite 920
North York, ON M2N 5W9

Dear Ms. Zecchini:

With this letter I approve the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) program that Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) submitted to me. This program has a commencement date of July 1, 2008. The program includes:

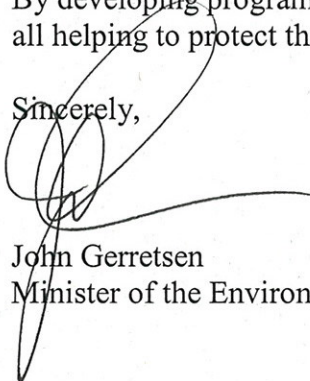
- Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) Program Plan (dated May 23, 2007 and revised November 26, 2007) submitted to me on December 6, 2007
- Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste Consultation Document (dated May 23, 2007) submitted to me on December 6, 2007
- Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste Program Addendum submitted to me on January 31, 2008

Further direction regarding the submission dates for Phase 2 and additional phases of the program will be provided to you in the near future.

I know the MHSW program plan has been the result of much hard work and collaboration among Waste Diversion Ontario, Stewardship Ontario, industry stewards and municipalities. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in the development of the plan.

By developing programs that divert wastes and keep toxics from our landfills and sewers we are all helping to protect the environment for future generations to come.

Sincerely,



John Gerretsen
Minister of the Environment

